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SUBJ: CUSTOMS TRAINING PROGRAM (NARCOTICS)

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1. ON HIS VISIT TO LUXEMBOURG IN SEPTEMBER 1975, U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER ROLAND RAYMONDS DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF A CCINC TRAINING COURSE WITH LUXEMBOURG CUSTOMS OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN COMBATTING NARCOTICS TRAFFIC. WE UNDERSTAND COURSE WOULD BE COORDINATED BY CUSTOMS SERVICE'S DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED PROPOSAL ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS WITH OFFICIALS IN LUXEMBOURG CUSTOMS SERVICE AND MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND NOW FEELS LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH WOULD BE BEST DATE FOR PROPOSED COURSE. LUXEMBOURG OFFICIALS ARE QUITE FLEXIBLE ON TIMING. SUGGEST CUSTOMS PROPOSE DEFINITE DATE AND EMBASSY OBTAIN AGREEMENT FROM DIRECTOR LUXEMBOURG CUSTOMS.

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2. WE BELIEVE PROGRAM SHOULD BE SOMEWHAT SHORTER THAN NORMAL IN VIEW OF SMALL NUMBER OF OFFICIALS LUXEMBOURG CUSTOMS

SERVICE CAN AFFORD TO DETAIL TO ATTEND. FOR SAME REASON, COURSE WILL BE MOST USEFUL IF TAILORED TO NEEDS OF SMALL NUMBER OF RELATIVELY SENIOR OFFICIALS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN TECHNIQUES FOR MAXIMIZING EFFECTIVENESS OF THINLY-STRETCHED INSPECTING STAFF TRYING TO COPE WITH SOPHISTICATED METHODS OF NARCOTICS CONCEALMENT. AT PRESENT WE ENVISION FOUR TO SIX LUXEMBOURG OFFICERS ATTENDING COURSE AND LATER ACTING AS INSTRUCTORS FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF THEIR SERVICE.

3. INSTRUCTION ROOM WILL BE PLACED AT DISPOSAL OF INSTRUCTORS. IF POSSIBLE, SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION OF INSTRUCTION IN EITHER FRENCH OR GERMAN SHOULD BE AVAILABLE. PHILLIPS

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